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Dear Sir:

Please amend the application as follows:

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In the Specification

On page 1, line 3, please insert --Priority is herewith
claimed under 35 U.S.C. §119(e) from copending ~~QUAS~~
~~Provisional Application No. 60/130,221, filed April 20,~~
~~1999,~~ by John R. Shedden, and entitled "ACTIVE LOG READ I/O
BALANCING FOR LOG DUPLEXING". The disclosure of this
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herein in its entirety.--